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THE WESTERN DRIVE.

Newspaper readers have been so accustomed to reading of the "German drive" in Russia that they must have been startled when they read for the first time yesterday of a really large offensive movement on the part of the French and English on the western front. The real significance of this onslaught will be left for military critics to explain, but in a general way one may repeat what is already known and draw any inferences he may choose from it.

Had this success come to the allies four months ago, it would have been seized upon by the world as an earnest of what the allies would do to the Germans in future, but today this drive will be discounted. Yet we doubt if it could have been as important four months ago as it is today.

In the east the Russian defense has stiffened to such an extent as to enable Ruzsky and Ivanoff to assume the offensive, and there is every indication that the Germans have all they can attend to. If the western drive had occurred earlier, the Teutonic allies might not have penetrated into Russia; indeed, they might have been content to whip the Muscovites a few times and then to stand them off. Now, however, the central powers have taken in a vast sweep, and are compelled to battle stubbornly for standing room.

In the west they encounter a surprise and lose many miles of trenches just as winter is approaching. The Italians also have launched a successful attack on the Austrians, and the little Belgian army has kicked again.

We do not believe this is the beginning of the end. The German general staff has shown itself equal to so many emergencies, and German ingenuity is so astounding, as to lead to the assumption that the central powers have in reserve yet a few more wallop. The effect of the capture of twenty miles of trenches and 20,000 unwounded prisoners will be moral rather than material, for a time at least. The allied powers must be heartened immeasurably—the French people undoubtedly are heartened—and this will tell in the engagements that are to follow.

We do not suppose that the stolid Joffre and the calculating Kitchener would have shot their bolt unless they had other bolts when this came from. Some positive action may be expected on the western front, but as the English critics remark the German trenches are honeycombed with entanglements, making their capture perilous in the extreme. But if the Germans are slowing up in the east, and if the allies are ready for their offensive in the west—a reasonable assumption—they may force the central powers to draw enough men from the eastern front to make it possible for the Russian army yet to become the steam roller which strategists predicted for it early in the war. At any rate the American public will watch the contest with increased interest.

IN A GOOD CAUSE.

With the objects of the civil improvement league to be formed in West Hickory this evening the Record is in hearty accord, and it hopes that the good men and women back of the movement will receive the hearty support and encouragement of that community. We have made progress in North Carolina in all directions, but in matters of civic improvement we have not gone very far. There is very little money apparently in this form of activity.

But in reality there is more in clean yards, flower gardens, screened houses, sanitary outhouses and the absence of pig pens than we may be able to see. The Record has observed a number of deaths from typhoid fever in Catawba, and there are a number of cases being treated now. With proper precautions, there should not have been a single case, least of all a single death.

Typhoid fever is a plague visited upon a community for not taking the proper care of itself. The persons forming a community suffer individually and collectively for every filthy pig pen, every outhouse not properly constructed and kept, and for the carelessness of any member of the com-

munity. One means of preventing typhoid fever is vaccination. It is the only safeguard we know even in a fairly sanitary community, but to make vaccination effective there must be a civic pride that will see to it that nothing is left undone to rid the neighborhood of the pest holes.

The people of West Hickory have started right. If they are willing to do some hard work—and the Record is confident they are—they will perform a service of inestimable benefit to the whole community.

TAKING WISE STEPS.

The announcement that President Wilson had directed the department of commerce and the federal trade commission to begin an investigation to prevent a flood of cheap products from Europe to the United States at the end of the war means simply that the president too is in favor of "tinkering" with the tariff. When this great war is over, millions of Europeans will return from the front to engage in other occupations, and their talents will be secured for a very small price. The result will be naturally a flow of cheaply-made goods to America. That naturally would cause a depression in the United States.

The Record does not pretend to be a free trader—it certainly is not a protectionist in the Penrose and Aldrich sense—but it does believe in fixing the tariff so that it will benefit the greatest number of Americans. If we are not mistaken, this is the position of most of the North Carolina delegation to congress, and it certainly is the position of the great majority of those persons who have given the question any thought.

The tariff may have to be amended so as to meet the changed conditions as the result of the war, and the Record is glad that President Wilson had the foresight to take up the matter before it was too late.

With cotton bringing around twelve cents, with corn and wheat selling well, and everything the farmer has to sell netting him a neat profit, nobody is kicking about hard times in Catawba county and this section. We are willing to wager that the fellow who utters a hard-times sentence will be ashamed of himself.

The Newton Enterprise remarks that last week it carried more than 900 inches of paid advertising—which was more than any other paper "in the county except our new neighbor, the Daily Record." The Enterprise, which gets better every issue, was loaded with the stuff, all right. Luck to you!

Franklin McNeill of Raleigh, formerly chairman of the corporation commission, always declared that cotton would fetch twelve cents. We never could follow him in his reasoning, but it appears that he was there with the logic. Mr. McNeill planted many fine acres in cotton.

Thursday week will be Dollar Day in Hickory and from the interest in the event, it will be a tremendous success. Nothing like it has ever been undertaken in this section, but if it proves the success it should, Hickory merchants will try it again.

French Zouaves, famous in song, story and action, were the elements that turned the victory for the Latins last week. We were about to believe that there was no more punch in the allies.

Those interested in the Catawba County Fair are expected to be on hand in the Chamber of Commerce again tonight. Hickory and Catawba are going to make the fair boom.

Don't forget Dollar Day Thursday, October 7.

PRESS COMMENT

Ye Rise in Cotton.

Wilmington Star. Republicans will note that President Wilson, whom they have been holding responsible for the low price of cotton since the European war started, has relented and permitted the price to go up to 11 cents in Wilmington yesterday. In the cotton country, where the buyers are competing for the staple, it has been selling above 11 cents. The cotton futures and spot markets both took another advance in New York yesterday, as will be seen by The Star's market reports this morning. These advances practically have been of daily occurrence for a week.

In the south yesterday, the port markets gave out the following quotations for middling spot: Galveston 11.40; New Orleans 11.1-4; Savannah 11.13; Mobile 11.13; Charleston 11; Wilmington 11; Norfolk 11.13. Interior markets were all the way from 11 to 11.8 cents. President Wilson must have decided to quit holding down the price of cotton, so new cross-roads Republican economists will have to explain how it is possible for cotton to sell at a good price while a Democrat is president. Probably they will explain that cotton has gone up on account of conditions brought about by the war in spite of a Democratic administration.

Why didn't they explain a year ago that cotton had gone down on account of war conditions in spite of a Democrat administration? Farmers who want to know, if cotton is now selling at 11 cents in spite of the Democrats, why it was that cotton last year sold at 7 and 8 cents in spite of the Democrats, "without waiting for the action of any other nation."

A turn in the market from low to high, or from high to low, all because of market conditions and the law of supply and demand, shows how ridiculous is the idea of some people that politics has anything more to do with the price of cotton than the man in the moon. This is a good time for

people who don't care to be fooled to study economics a little so they may know the logical reasons for the rise and decline of commodity prices.

There are some people who will not be as glad as we are that cotton has gone to selling at 11 cents and above. They are the manufacturers in the north and in Europe and the wearers of cotton fabrics who do not live in the cotton producing area. Cotton yarns in New England have advanced from 2 to 4 cents, according to grade. There are two reasons for that—high or raw cotton for one, and because the manufacturers of automobile tires have invaded the market as active buyers. The manufacture of automobiles is on a big boom. The annual report of the Maxwell Motor Company, just published in New York, shows that during the war year the company made a clear profit of \$2,337,950 against profits of \$1,430,444 in 1913-1914. The company's net working assets have increased to \$7,165,000 compared with \$5,835,000 at the close of the last fiscal year of the company. While we will get better prices for our raw cotton weavers of cotton goods will have to pay higher prices. The cotton goods markets in New York and New England are active and strong. Heavy cotton goods are being advanced sharply in price, some from 1-2 to 5 per cent. Sales for the past week have been very large, the market reports say, and the same applies practically to all kinds of cotton fabrics, hosiery, and cotton goods of all descriptions.

The demand in the cotton mills of New England has been so great that they are short of goods, with the result that they have to buy cotton to keep their mills running. Prosperity seems to be steadily meandering along and the activity which struck the north first, as it always does where the interests are so much greater, has now struck the south and it seems that good times are fast approaching.

Another piece of good news is that the price of sugar has been cut from the high war level, the refiners making it a daily business to cut prices on each other for refined sugars.

The iron and steel markets are on a tremendous boom, and the United States has been forced to hurry into the markets for its iron and steel supply, for fear that during the next twelve months the manufacturers will be so pressed that Uncle Sam will get left if he does not purchase now.

The cotton market is getting snappy, and snappy times seem to be just ahead of us, in spite of the war in Europe. If the war should end, a possibility yet remote, the business of this country would run away with itself.

The Other Man's Responsibility.

Columbia State. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has gone to the coal fields of Colorado, of which he is a principal owner, to study firsthand the conditions of living among the miners, and tens of thousands of American newspaper writers are saying among themselves that had he shown this solicitude some years ago, dissension, fighting and bloodshed might have been avoided. The saying is true.

Among those lightly expressing so wise an opinion are hundreds of shareholders in manufacturing, mining and mercantile companies who have themselves never thought of the duty of seeing with their own eyes how the men, women and children who toil for them live. What do the owners of the cotton mills in South Carolina, exclusive of the officers of the companies, know of the life of the mill villages, and wherein rests, save in degree, greater responsibility on the younger Rockefeller for the miners of Colorado?

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State hours	Night	Hour
Monday	-----	-----
Tuesday	-----	-----
Wednesday	-----	-----
Thursday	-----	-----
Friday	-----	-----
Saturday	-----	-----
Sunday	-----	-----

The executive committee of the library think they can raise considerable revenue for buying new books through the sale of old papers that have accumulated in homes and offices and will appreciate it very much if all persons having such papers will notify Mr. A. K. Joy, at the Chamber of Commerce room, of such papers, and they will be gathered and sold for the benefit of the library. Flat magazines, such as the Saturday Evening Post, can also be sold.

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GOING FORWARD

Charlotte Observer.
The Revolution Mills at Greensboro has begun the progressive installation of additional machinery that will eventually double the capacity and represent an investment of over \$1,000,000. This is but a part of the construction and equipping in North Carolina that are fast bringing the state to the head of the list in the entire country.

Kindergarten to Open Monday, Sept. 27

I beg to announce to the public that I will open my kindergarten on Monday, September 27, for the coming season.

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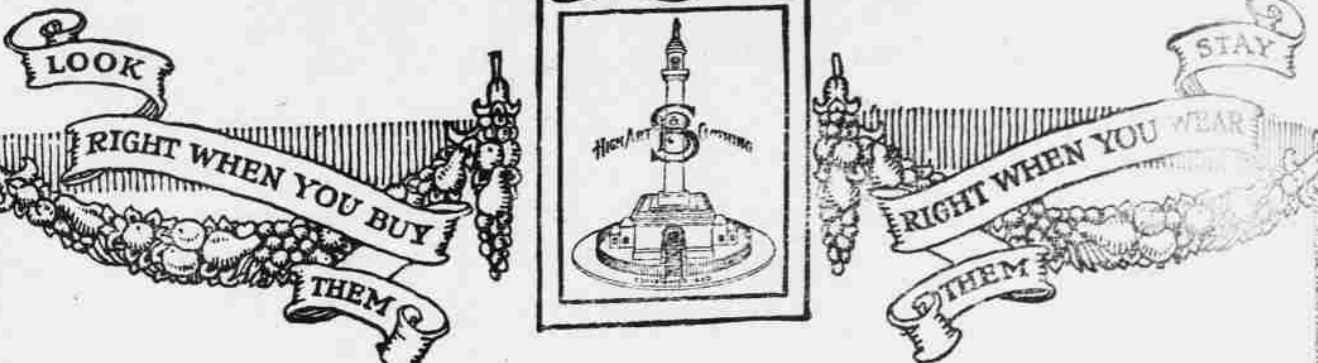
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